

NEW TAXATION  
IS IN EFFECT

Under the Provisions of the \$6,000,000,000 War Revenue Bill

MANUFACTURERS  
PAY TAX FIRST

Then, It Is Probable, the Consumer Will Pay the Manufacturers

Washington, D. C., Feb. 25.—Signing of the revenue bill by President Wilson on his special train en route to Washington last night puts into operation the machinery for collecting six billions of taxes this year.

Higher taxes provided in the new bill go into effect to-day on liquor and soft drinks, including near beer, grape juice, soda water and mineral waters, and on tobacco and on so-called luxuries. Anticipating the imposition of new taxes, thousands of gallons of whiskey have been withdrawn from government bonded warehouses within the last week, with tax paid at the old rate of \$3.20 a gallon to escape the higher rate of \$6.40 a gallon now effective.

Articles in the "luxury" class on which new taxes go into effect to-day include automobiles and motor accessories, pianos, sporting goods, chewing gum, cameras, candy, firearms, slot machines, toilet soap, and art goods. The tax is paid by the manufacturer.

Other features of the tax bill which go into legal effect to-day but which are retroactive and which consequently are not practically affected by the time of the signing of the bill, include the following:

Taxes on incomes, excess profits and war profits; estates and inheritances, and excess taxes on a number of special businesses, such as brokers, bowling alleys, insurance companies, theaters, and amusement place proprietors and liquor dealers. Drastic measures to prevent the narcotic drug traffic becomes effective at once.

On April 1, new taxes on railroad and steamship tickets, pipe lines, insurance, theatre admissions and club dues, and a variety of stamp taxes become effective. Levies against the excess of value of so-called semi-luxuries, such as articles of dress, will be made after May 1. The soda fountain tax becomes effective May 1. Taxes on products of child labor will be imposed in 60 days.

Without awaiting signature of the bill by the president the internal revenue bureau has gone ahead preparing to administer the law. Tax return forms and regulations are being issued, and income and profits tax returns must be filed before March 16.

BOHEMIA THE SCENE  
OF HARD FIGHTING

National Guard and Students Drove Anti-Government Communists Out of Public Buildings.

Amsterdam, Feb. 25.—Severe fighting took place all day Saturday in Prague, the capital of Bohemia, in which the national guard and students drove the anti-government communists from public buildings which they had occupied, according to The Lokal Anzeiger, of Berlin.

## SLAUGHTER HOUSE STRIKE.

Employees Demand Abolition of the Tax on Meat.

Paris, Feb. 25.—Three thousand employees of the Paris slaughter house have struck, their demands being, first, the abolition of the tax on meat, and, second, the prohibition of clandestine markets, which they declare are allowed to violate the regulations as to the sale of meat.

M. Vilgrain, under-secretary of the ministry of provisions, has promised the men that the tax would be abolished. Should the strike continue, Paris will be without meat in a few days.

## ECONOMIC PENALTIES.

Was Subject Considered by Commission on International Labor.

Paris, Feb. 25.—The peace conference commission on international labor legislation at its meeting to-day considered the British draft of articles dealing with the question of economic penalties in the event that a state fails to carry out its obligations under the proposed international labor convention.

Samuel Gompers, who presides at the meeting, read a message of thanks from Premier Clemenceau to the resolution adopted by the commission on the recent attempt on the premier's life.

AN EDITOR ARRESTED  
FOR INCITING RIOT

Louis C. Fraina Is Charged With Causing Disorders at Lawrence, Mass.

Lawrence, Mass., Feb. 25.—Louis C. Fraina, editor of The Revolutionary Age, who was arrested in Boston last night, was arraigned here to-day, charged with inciting to riot. At his request the case was continued until March 12. It is alleged that Fraina's remarks at a meeting of strikers on Feb. 21 were the inspiration for disorders which followed. The Pacific Mills print works reopened to-day, with the management asserting that most of the 2,200 operatives were in their places. Other mill agents claimed gains in the number of workers. Strike leaders contended that their men were holding out firmly.

## INSPIRED BY "MOVIES."

Lad Placed Revolver to His Head and Fired—He's Dead.

Holyoke, Mass., Feb. 25.—John Labonte, 15, while playing with other boys in his home to-day, placed a revolver to his head and shot himself. He died two hours later. The boys had been carrying out some antics believed to have been inspired by motion pictures.

BOLSHEVISM CANNOT  
PREVAIL IN AMERICA

Arthur Bullard, Just Back from Vladivostok, Says Movement Thrives Where People Are Oppressed.

Seattle, Feb. 25.—"People of America or any other land democracy need have no fear of the bolshevik campaign being waged throughout the world," said Arthur Bullard, a representative of the United States bureau of public information, who was here to-day on his way from Vladivostok to Washington.

"Bolshevism," he continued, "can never thrive except in a state where the people are pitifully oppressed and when the masses have no other hope of righting their wrongs."

Bullard upheld the testimony of John Reed, writer and socialist, given recently before the Senate committee investigating lawless propaganda in this country, that there had been no massacre in Moscow during Reed's stay there. "But I am convinced," he added, "that there were many innocent people murdered later in the name of the government."

He expressed the belief that the real democratic people of Russia finally will control the situation.

\$1,200,000,000 A YEAR  
TO PAY U. S. WAR DEBT

That Amount Will Have to Be Raised for 25 Years, According to Treasury Department Estimates.

Washington, D. C., Feb. 25.—It will cost the American people about \$1,200,000,000 a year for the next 25 years to pay off the war debt, according to estimates of the treasury, based on incomplete knowledge of precisely what the final war debt will be. This calculation is made on the assumption that the net war debt, with deductions for loans to the allies, will be in the neighborhood of \$18,000,000,000. Interest on this amount at the rate of 4 1/2 per cent would be \$765,000,000 a year, to be raised by taxes, and then repaid to bondholders. In addition, about \$417,000,000 would have to be provided every year as a sinking fund to redeem all bonds in 25 years.

This would require a cumulative sinking fund provision of 2.32 per cent. Congress has not yet authorized establishment of a sinking fund, as recommended by Secretary Glass.

## CONSCRIPTION ABANDONED.

German Conservative Press Laments Passing of Imperial Army.

Berlin, Monday, Feb. 24 (By the Associated Press).—The conservative press laments the passing of the old imperial army, which will become a thing of the past when the Weimar assembly, perhaps this week, adopts the national defense measure. This will provide for the organization of a national guard which will be composed of one brigade for each former army corps. Conscription will be abandoned, according to the terms of the bill, and voluntary recruiting be conducted by a central bureau.

At present unofficial stations are receiving soldiers, being supported out of private funds. These organizations will be incorporated in the new army, which, it is declared, will be built up on "strictly democratic lines," but with rigid discipline.

## FIRMNESS SUCCESSFUL.

In Putting Down Attempt to Establish Soviet Government in Baden.

London, Feb. 25.—The attempt of Bavarian partisans to organize a revolution in Baden and establish a soviet government has failed, except at Mannheim. The energetic action of the Baden government which immediately marched government troops into Karlsruhe, arrested radical leaders and proclaimed a state of siege, apparently killed the movement, according to advices received here.

The Mannheim outbreak, which is said to have been organized by the Bavarian communist leader Muehsam, was more successful than those elsewhere. The partisans still hold the city, which is cut off from the rest of the country.

## STRIKE ENDORSED.

Shipyard Workers on Pacific Coast Are Backed by Metal Trades.

Portland, Ore., Feb. 25.—Endorsement of the metal yard ship strikes at Seattle and Tacoma, which has tied up shipyards in those cities since Jan. 21, was given last night by the Pacific coast metal trades' district council, which concluded an eight-day conference here by calling for a referendum vote of all jurisdictional unions on a proposal for a coast-wide strike on April 1. The proposed strike would be for the purpose of enforcing wage demands made by Puget Sound shipyard workers in excess of those fixed by the Macy award, which expire March 31.

## PROTESTS SINKING OF SHIPS.

Italian Newspaper Wants Vessels Distributed Proportionately.

Rome, Feb. 25.—A protest against the proposal to sink surrendered German warships is printed by the Tribuna to-day. The newspaper urges the distribution of the warships proportionately among the allies.

An announcement that France and Italy would take the initiative in intervening in Russia is regarded as ill-founded by the newspapers here.

## LET OFF 2,304 TROOPS.

Steamer George Washington Docked at New York To-day.

New York, Feb. 25.—The steamship George Washington, which landed President Wilson and his party in Boston yesterday, arrived here to-day with 2,304 troops. The units aboard included the 146th machine gun battalion complete; 5th engineers and engineer train complete; casual company 259, New York; the presidential and peace commission guards, and casuals.

## MEDIATORS SET FORTH.

To Try to Settle Differences Between Poles and Czechoslovaks.

Paris, Feb. 24.—The inter-allied military mission to Poland has left Warsaw for Prague to act as mediators in the conflict between the Poles and the Czechoslovaks, according to a wireless dispatch received by the Polish bureau here. The mission is composed of Major Fordham, Captain Coolidge and Captain Dubost.

VICTIMS ARE  
RECOVERING

But Condition of the Youth Who Ran Amuck Is Critical

FRANK W. POTTER  
SHOT 3 POLICEMEN

He Was First Arrested at Springfield, Mass., While Acting Suspiciously

Springfield, Mass., Feb. 25.—Deputy Sheriff George A. Bills of Palmer, the most seriously injured of three officers shot last night while arresting Frank W. Potter of Cambridge, an alleged navy deserter, showed some improvement to-day, and it was said there was a chance for recovery. Detective Lieutenant James M. Daly of the Springfield police department, also shot by Potter, will recover. The condition of Patrolman Charles Thomas of Palmer is not serious. Potter's condition is critical.

Potter, who is 17 years old, shot Lieutenant Daly after he had been put under arrest because of suspicious behavior. He then escaped and boarded an east-bound train. Word reached Palmer in time for officers there to board the train. Potter was located in the smoking car, and he and two Palmer officers were wounded in an interchange of shots while he was being arrested. Potter is said to have admitted the theft of \$700 in Liberty bonds from his father.

Carl J. Leibold of Pittsfield and Richard E. Whalen of Amherst, who occupied seats with Potter in the train, are held as material witnesses but are not believed to be implicated in the affair.

NEW YORK MAN SLAIN;  
PROBABLY BY ROBBERS

George H. Robee, Boardinghouse Keeper, Was Found To-day—A Young Woman Robbed on the Street.

New York, Feb. 25.—A murder in Manhattan and a hold-up in Brooklyn were added early to-day to the record of New York's "crime wave." George H. Robee, a boardinghouse keeper, was found murdered in his room, apparently by thieves, who stole several diamond rings. A young woman was robbed of \$20 after street thugs attacked her and her escort, who ran away.

Another murder occurred late in the day when a foreigner was shot down in a Brooklyn street. The murderer escaped.

## TO BUY CAPE COD CANAL.

Favorable Report Made on Bill to Authorize Purchase.

Washington, D. C., Feb. 25.—A favorable report was ordered to-day by the Senate commerce committee on the bill introduced yesterday by Senator Fletcher of Florida, authorizing government acquisition and operation of the Cape Cod canal, at a cost not to exceed \$10,000,000.

The appropriation carried in the bill would provide for improvements to the canal in order to maintain a 25-foot waterway. Since this country's entry into the war, the canal has been under control of the railroad administration, but Director General Hines plans to return it to the owners on Feb. 28. Consequently the war department desires to take over control of the property by condemnation proceedings. In a letter recommending the bill Secretary Baker said that more than \$400,000 had been spent by the railroad administration in improving the waterway and urged that the government acquire permanent possession.

14,411 REPLACEMENTS  
IN 26TH DIVISION

Between May 1 and Nov. 13, 1918, According to Statement by Secretary of War Baker.

Boston, Feb. 25.—Those units of the 26th division in which a majority of the members are New England men will be landed at this point on their return from France in April, according to present plans of the war department as outlined in a letter received to-day by Governor Coolidge from Secretary Baker. Other units may be assigned for disembarkation at other ports.

The men arriving at Boston, Secretary Baker said, would be taken immediately to Camp Devens for inspection and later would be permitted to come to Boston for a parade and celebration, after which they would be returned to Camp Devens for demobilization.

Secretary Baker said there have been 14,411 replacements in the division between May 1 and Nov. 13, 1918.

"I appreciate the desire of the people of New England to entertain the officers and men of the 26th division and to see them paraded," the secretary wrote, "and I have called to France with the object of achieving these ends."

## FISHERMEN STRIKE ENDED.

Compromise Reached in Trouble at Boston Piers.

Boston, Feb. 25.—The strike of employees of the fish trawling fleet, which has been in effect for two months, was settled to-day. The terms of settlement were a compromise, some of the men's demands for advances being granted, others being left for decision by the war labor board. Eight steam trawlers, which carry approximately 100 hands, prepared to-day to outfit for the fishing banks.

## NEW LOAN TO SERBIA.

This Brings Total U. S. Credit Up to \$6,674,657,000.

Washington, D. C., Feb. 25.—A new credit of \$15,000,000 for Serbia, authorized to-day by the treasury, raised to \$27,000,000 the loans to Serbia from the United States, and the loans of all the allies from the United States to \$8,674,657,000.

WILSON PLUNGES  
INTO HIS WORK

He Went from Train to His Desk in the White House To-day

REACHED CAPITAL  
EARLY THIS MORNING

After Absence Which Covered Nearly Three Months

Washington, D. C., Feb. 25.—Back in the White House after an absence of nearly three months, President Wilson was working away at his desk this morning when members of the staff of the executive offices began to report.

His first act, without waiting for the office force, was to send a telegram to Theodore E. Burton, president of the league of nations, at New York, reiterating his confidence that the people of the United States with virtual unanimity would support the league of nations. Mr. Burton, Republican and former senator from Ohio, had telegraphed a welcome to the president as recognized leader of the league of nations movement.

The president's train from New York reached here at 5 o'clock after an unusual, who has provided at the executive received his notable welcome home yesterday on his arrival from France. At 8:40 the president and Mrs. Wilson left the train, passed through a cheering and bandwagoning crowd in the station, and drove quickly to the White House. A few minutes later Mr. Wilson's office, surveying the tasks ahead of him during the single week that is to pass before March 5, the day set for sailing again for France to take up his interrupted work at the peace conference.

No conferences with the members of Congress have been arranged so far but there may be one or two on important domestic matters before the president meets the members of the foreign relations committee of the Senate and House at dinner to-morrow night to go over the constitution of the league of nations. Plans for an address before a joint session of Congress are expected to take shape in a day or two.

The only engagement made for the president to-day was the cabinet meeting at 2 o'clock. Vice-President Marshall, who has presided at the meetings during the president's absence, was invited to be present again to-day and take part in the deliberations.

It was said that the president had not yet made up his mind about the appointment of an attorney general to succeed Mr. Gregory or the calling of an extra session of Congress. Mr. Gregory is anxious to retire March 4, but it was said his office to-day that he would remain by that time. The extra session will not be decided until after the president has made a complete survey of the legislative situation. The time, if one is called, will depend on the amount of business transacted by Congress before March 4, particularly whether the Victory Liberty loan bill and important appropriation measures are passed.

President Wilson is very anxious to meet with governors of states before he returns to Europe to discuss the labor situation. He is said to realize that the question of unemployment is closely bound up with industrial unrest and he is desirous of taking all possible steps to harmonize the domestic situation as soon as possible. The conference was planned by the department of labor and will be called on a date depending on the availability of the state executives, many of whom just now are engaged with meetings of legislatures.

The president has accepted an invitation to march at the head of a parade of District of Columbia troops Thursday in honor of homecoming soldiers and sailors. He will lead the parade up Pennsylvania avenue and then will review the marchers from a stand erected in front of the White House.

WILSON CONFIDENT  
THE AMERICAN PEOPLE  
WILL FAVOR LEAGUE

Reiterated His Belief in Message Sent To-day to Theodore E. Burton, President of the League of Nations Union.

Washington, Feb. 25.—President Wilson to-day reiterated his confidence that the people of the country will support the plan for a league of nations in a telegram to Theodore E. Burton, president of the League of Nations Union.

The message was in reply to the following, telegraphed from New York by Mr. Burton:

"League of Nations Union, merging World Court league and New York Peace society, welcome you as recognized leader of league of nations movement and pledge co-operation in rallying public opinion and in securing united action in support of your cause."

The president replied: "Your message greatly appreciated. Am myself confident that the people of the country will rally with practical unanimity to the support of a plan in which the whole world is looking to them to be the leaders."

## AGREE TO UNION.

If Capital of German-Austria Be in Central Germany.

Basle, Monday, Feb. 24.—The Christian socialists of German-Austria have agreed to a union of their part of the former Austrian empire with Germany on condition that the capital of the united countries be in central Germany, according to a dispatch from Vienna quoting the Reichs-Post of that city.

Immense demonstrations in favor of a union with Germany were held at Vienna to-day and resolutions were passed asking that the Weimar assembly realize immediately a union between German-Austria and Germany. German deputies and Austrian ministers made addresses during the demonstrations.

STATE EXPENSES WILL  
NOT BE INVESTIGATED  
DECIDES THE HOUSE

## "PATRIARCH OF CAMEL'S HUMP."

Frank Callahan Died To-day at His Home at Base of Mountain.

Duxbury, Feb. 25.—Frank Callahan, called the "patriarch of Camel's Hump," died early this morning at his home on Scramble hill, at the base of the Hump, after two days' illness, heart disease being the cause. He broke one hip two years ago and since that time had been off Scramble hill only once, that time being to vote for A. J. Durkee last November. His place is known as "Callahan's," familiar to all people who have made the ascent of the Hump. He had lived there 50 years.

Mr. Callahan was born in Limerick, Ireland, 81 years ago, being the son of Timothy and Mary (Keefe) Callahan. He first married Alice Mackey and on her death married Alice Carey, who died seven years ago. There are three children surviving, they being Mrs. William Start of Bakersfield, Frank H. Callahan, living on the home place, and Mrs. Chester Simmons of Waterbury Center. There are also 12 grandchildren and one great-grandchild.

The funeral will be held from St. Andrew's church in Waterbury Thursday morning.

WISHED TO LEAVE  
O'BRIEN PROCEEDINGS

But Court Declined to Grant Request—Supreme Court Convenes at Montpelier to Wind Up February Term.

Vermont supreme court convened at Montpelier this morning to complete the February term. Judge F. L. Fish of Vergennes is sitting as a member of the court owing to the illness of Justice Seneca Haskell of Burlington.

The attorneys in the disbarment proceedings against Ernest O'Brien of Rutland this morning asked leave to withdraw from the argument on the report of the commission which investigated the charges against O'Brien and also from the disbarment proceedings; but the court declined to make a decision in the matter because it was possible that the counsel could not withdraw at this late time in the proceedings.

Arguments were made in the case of William H. Blaine vs. Grand Trunk railway, from Essex county. In the lower court the plaintiff was given a verdict of \$20,000 damages because he suffered a broken shoulder when the handle of a jack, used in "lining up" track, went down, pitching the plaintiff onto his shoulder. The defense claims the man knew all about the jack and had been warned by the boss.

In the case of Lemire and Ledue vs. Edmund Gardner, from Orleans county, exceptions were waived and judgment affirmed. It was announced by the court. In the case of E. H. Mason vs. George Sault, from Orange county, a continuance was entered. This afternoon the arguments were made in the Essex county case of William G. Moore vs. Grand Trunk railway.

WINOOSKI POLICEMAN  
IN A GUN DUEL

Chief Barber Finally Brought Down Thomas Murtha with a Shot in the Back—Latter Not Seriously Injured.

Winoski, Feb. 25.—Thomas Murtha, who is a member of the aerial squad at a camp on Long Island and who is home on a furlough, was shot yesterday by Chief of Police Barber after Murtha had attempted to shoot up the town in the vicinity of his residence. Murtha's wound was in the back and is not considered serious, as the bullet entered the small of the back and came out near the hip.

When Murtha returned to his home yesterday he found that his wife had locked the door on him. He is declared to have said that he intended to shoot her if he could get eyes on her. He indulged in considerable shooting and Officer McGrath and Chief Barber were summoned, arriving by automobile. He had no sooner gotten out of the machine than Murtha began firing at them. The officers began to dodge, as they were not armed.

The chief crawled up the bank to West Spring street, where he made his way to the home of Joe Cuisson. He secured a rifle there and returned to the scene by way of Union street. By this time Murtha had made his way to the railroad track, the officers following and dodging the bullets from Murtha's gun, which was a 22-caliber seven-shot, and which he managed to reload several times. At the freight house officers and man dodged each other, shooting all the while. Finally, Murtha dodged behind a pile of ties while the chief crawled along the freight shed. When the chief had reached the end of the freight shed Murtha was making his way towards the railroad bridge and was near Clifford street when the chief fired his rifle, hitting his man, who was seen to fall and not to rise. When he fell an uncle of Murtha's ran forward and took away his gun.

Upon being searched Murtha was found to have a considerable number of cartridges, besides a case knife. Investigation revealed the fact that Murtha had purchased a box of cartridges during the early part of the day.

Murtha, who resided in the village for a number of years before entering the army, has appeared in court several times on the charge of breach of the peace. He was heard to make the remark that he intended to get Chief of Police Barber and said that he would get him in the end.

## PENNSYLVANIA RATIFIES

And Becomes the 45th State of the Union to Do So.

Harrisburg, Pa., Feb. 25.—The state Senate to-day passed finally the House joint resolution ratifying the national prohibition amendment. The vote was 29 to 16. Pennsylvania thus becomes the 45th state to ratify the House of Representatives having adopted the resolution three weeks ago.

MAKES STIPULATIONS  
FOR BARRE MEDALS

Board of Aldermen Designates Who Shall Have the Privilege of Wearing the Handsome Insignia.

Recommendations that Barre medals for war service be given to all men enlisted or drafted from Barre, to all those enlisted or drafted while attending school or college elsewhere, to any who were enlisted or drafted away from Barre while under the age of 21 and whose parents still reside in Barre and to residents of Barre who enlisted in the Canadian or British forces were accepted by the board of aldermen last night at their regular meeting, the meeting having been set about 24 hours in order that the members might attend the barge terminal hearing in Montpelier to-night.

But in order to receive the medals the men must appear at the city clerk's office and present satisfactory proof of their claim.

The special committee which investigated the matter made the following report: "That medals be given to all those enlisted or drafted from the city of Barre; also to those men who enlisted or were drafted while attending school or college where said school or college was located, or to anyone who was enlisted or drafted while away from Barre while under 21 years of age and their parents or guardians were residing here; also to those residents of Barre who enlisted in the Canadian or British forces."

"Also that the medals be distributed to them upon their making application at the city clerk's office and giving the necessary information to establish their claim."

The report was accepted and it is expected that the distribution of the medals will be started within a short time. Business before the aldermen was light and soon attended to. An itemized bill from the Barre Steam Laundry for washings done during the influenza epidemic on authority of the board of health or their agents was referred to the board of health. Petitions for the commitment of Theresa Cannonica and George Taylor to the state hospital at Waterbury were ordered executed. Clan Gordon cancelled a date for the use of the opera house.

Judge E. L. Scott of Barre city court stated that he needed more room for his law office at the city hall or else he would be compelled to retain his offices in the Howland building and hold court there except on the larger cases. He suggested a dividing of the present court room and after the aldermen's meeting was concluded he explained his plans on the floor of the court room.

The property committee reported that the installation of hot water connection for various parts of the city hall—15, all told—would cost \$366. The report was accepted but no action was taken regarding the carrying out of the project. An officer of the Salvation Army wrote that he expected to be in Barre soon to make adjustment of the rent on the old town hall building.

The following warrants were ordered paid: Street payroll, \$150.17; engineer payroll, \$96.81; water payroll, \$93.50; fire payroll, \$144.71; police payroll, \$111.27; city hall janitor, \$16; social worker, \$18.12; Hotel Barre, \$37.30, rebate on city water.

TRYING TO REACH  
AN UNDERSTANDING

National Executive of G. C. I. A. and Committee of Eleven from Granite Manufacturers in Session in Boston.

Accepting the request of the executive council of the G. C. I. A., the special committee of 11 from the International Granite Producers' association yesterday afternoon at 3 met the former at Young's hotel in Boston. The committee organized and adjourned till evening. At the second meeting each side elected a sub-committee, going into session immediately and remaining in session until 2 o'clock this morning.

Near 11 o'clock this forenoon the sub-committees reported to the general committees on progress made and later went back to the sessions again.

The regular monthly meeting of Barre branch, G. C. I. A., was held in the opera house last evening, but only routine business was transacted. There was nothing the meeting could do in connection with the notice received from the manufacturers a week ago, as the matter is now wholly in the hands of the national executive.

## MAJ. GEN. EDWARDS' VISIT.

Those Desiring to Attend Reception and Meeting Should Notify Committee.

The postponed visit to Barre of Major General Edwards, former commander of the 26th division, is to take place Tuesday, March 11, and the various committees are busy completing arrangements for the same. It is planned to hold a reception in Howland hall in the afternoon, when all men who have been in the service, and the parents, wives, brothers or sisters of those who served in the 26th division (and such other persons as the size of the hall and the time at the disposal of the general will permit) will be presented to him.

The committee already has a large list of the men and relatives who wish to attend the reception and the meeting in the opera house in the evening, but feel assured that there are still a large number who will want to meet him, who have not given in their names.

As special arrangements will be made for them at the reception and reservations made for them at the evening meeting, the committee urgently requests those who have not already done so to take the matter up with the committee at once and avoid being disappointed later.

Address all communications to General Edwards' Committee, Barre Board of Trade, Barre, Vt.

## Resolution Calling for an Inquiry Where the Money

Is C Was Voted Down by a Vote of 133 to 1 After a Short Debate.

## BOARD OF CONTROL ALREADY HAS AUTHORITY

## One Member Proposed That a Committee of 108 Men

Sit Down Some Night After Supper and Complete the Needed Inquiry.

On a yea and nay vote, following a half hour's discussion, the Vermont House this morning refused a third reading to the Senate joint resolution for an investigation of state expenses, the vote being 133 to 78. At the opening of debate on this resolution, which came up this morning as a special order, Mr. Brown of Brownington offered an amendment to the amendments already in existence, providing that the work of investigation be completed two weeks from the date of the appointment of the committee. Mr. Brown defended this amendment with an impassioned plea, his maiden speech of the session, but the amendment was voted down by a large majority.

Mr. Slayton of Morrisville read the law which gives the board of control authority to investigate any state department, and said that he considered this law enough, and that, if an investigation were thought necessary, he thought it best to ask the board of control to make such an investigation and report. Mr. Underworth of Londonderry quoted the good old colored lady, who, after seeing "dem niggers ride all round on dat merry-go-round," said to them when they got off, "Yo done spen' yo money nigger; whar yo bin?"

Mr. Barnard of Pittsford, Mr. Dunham of Brattleboro, Mr. Carpenter of Richmond and Mr. Goss of Danville opposed the resolution. Mr. Carpenter proposed that following out Senator Ames's estimate of the cost of the investigation, he would propose to the House as the most practicable way of conducting this investigation, to appoint a committee of 108 men and do the work some night after supper.